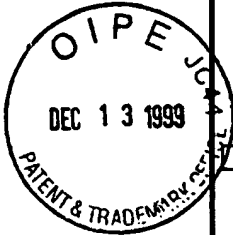


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Attorney Docket Number	1273/12
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Application Number	09/431,566
Filing Date	October 29, 1999
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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR BUILDING AND DISTRIBUTING AUDIO PACKAGES

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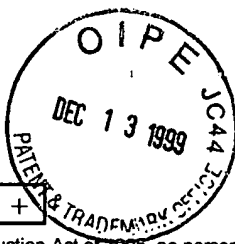
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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we, Laurence Wayne Clarkson, City of Wake Forest, State of North Carolina, Jeffrey Dean Lanning, City of Cary, State of North Carolina, Melissa Ann Metts, City of Raleigh, State of North Carolina and Xiaofeng Gao, City of Alphareta, State of Georgia (hereinafter "Assignors"), have invented certain new and useful improvements in METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR BUILDING AND DISTRIBUTING AUDIO PACKAGES for which we made application for a U.S. Letters Patent on October 29, 1999 as U.S. Application Serial No. 09/431,566.

AND, WHEREAS, Nortel Networks Corporation, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Quebec, Country of Canada, having its principal office and place of business at World Trade Center of Montreal, 380 St. Antoine Street West, 8th Floor, Montreal, Quebec H2Y 3Y4, Canada (hereinafter "Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring an interest therein.

NOW, THEREFORE, To Whom It May Concern, be it known that for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Assignors have sold and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and convey unto the said Assignee, its successors and assigns, their entire right, title and interest in and to the said invention and application, and in and to any and all continuations, continuations-in-part, or divisions thereof, and in and to any and all Letters Patent of the United States of America and all foreign countries or reissues thereof which may be granted therefor or thereon, for the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent may be granted, together with their right to claim the priority of said application in all foreign countries in accordance with the International Convention, the same to be held and enjoyed by said Assignee, its successors and assigns, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by Assignors if this assignment and sale had not been made.

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